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## Community Thanksgiving!

Friends of Finland is happy to announce that we are having Community Thanksgiving at the Clair Nelson Center this year! We will provide turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy. Anyone who comes is asked to bring a side dish or dessert, or come help with the cooking, setup and cleanup. Food is free and all are welcome! **Please RSVP** to 218-353-0300 so we know how much food to make and who is able to help with setup and cleanup.

It's very exciting to be able to have this event again. It was on a long hiatus because of COVID and logistical challenges, but now it's back. This year it will be on Thursday November 23rd, with social hour at 3pm, and dinner at 4pm.

After the meal, anyone who wishes can participate in a Remembrance Night - coming

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People can bring their own candle lanterns but there will also be some provided. Sharing stories and memories is encouraged.

Friends of Finland gives thanks to YOU, community of Finland, for all that you do for us! Come celebrate with us!

***Also thanks to Thrivent Action Teams for helping to fund these events!***



*Let's come together to honor our  
community ancestors and loved ones*

# REMEMBRANCE NIGHT

**We will gather at the Cemetery after the Community Thanksgiving dinner and bring candles to the gravesites of loved ones. Feel free to bring your own candle lantern, but there will also be some provided. Sharing stories and memories is encouraged!**

**Thanksgiving night. Thursday, November, 23rd  
6PM at the Crystal Bay Cemetery**

## Remembrance Night

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community to honor our loved ones who have passed on. Across Finland (Europe) and the Nordic countries there is a tradition of communities coming together sometime between November and January and going to the local cemetery to bring candles to the graves of loved ones. After discussing this idea with several interested community members we have decided to incorporate this practice into our Community Thanksgiving!

Before our community Thanksgiving Dinner, we will bring a candle to the Crystal Bay Cemetery and extend an invitation to our community ancestors to join us for dinner. We will then bring that candle to the community center where folks will be invited to light a candle for their loved ones and bring it to their table. After the meal, those who want to participate will bring their candles to the Crystal Bay Cemetery to bring their candles to loved ones' graves (there will also be a place to leave candles for folks who are not buried in the Crystal Bay Cemetery).

Folks will gather at the Crystal Bay Cemetery at 6pm, bringing candles to the gravesites of loved ones. People can bring their own candle lanterns but there will also be some provided. The hope is to spend some time there, sharing stories of the folks who are no longer with us, and the "good old days" in Finland, MN.

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## Winter Farmers Market: Sunday, Nov 19th, 12:30pm-2pm

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**Farmer's Market**

# WINTER Markets

**SUNDAY**

<b>NOV</b> <b>19th</b>	<b>DEC</b> <b>17th</b>	<b>JAN</b> <b>21st</b>	<b>FEB</b> <b>18th</b>
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**12:30-2:00  
PM**

**CANNED & BAKED GOODS**  
**HANDMADE ITEMS**  
**LIVE MUSIC**

CLAIR NELSON CENTER | 6866 CRAMER RD.

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## Money For Back-to-School Supplies

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate](#) ▼A colorful graphic for a 'Back to School Supplies' campaign. At the top, the 'Friends of the Finland COMMUNITY' logo is centered, flanked by a graduation cap, an apple, a bell, and a paint palette. The main title 'BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES' is in large, bold, black and red letters. Below it, a yellow banner says 'Public School or Homeschool'. To the right, a black banner says 'Grades K-12'. The background is dark green with various school supplies like a backpack, ruler, calculator, and globe. At the bottom, a yellow banner contains contact information and a disclaimer.

**BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Public School or Homeschool

**Grades K-12**

**Does your family need money for back to school supplies?**

Friends of Finland has funds to help! We are offering \$50 per child for school supplies to any family that needs it - just ask!

**PARENTS AND GUARDIANS, CONTACT US TO SIGN UP!**  
218-353-0300 • [honor@friendsoffinland.org](mailto:honor@friendsoffinland.org)

**MORE INFORMATION**

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Does your family need money for back-to-school supplies? Friends of Finland still has funds to help! We are offering \$50 per child for school supplies to any family that needs it - just ask! Grades K-12 - Whether you go to public school or homeschool, we mean you!

[Parents and Guardians: Sign Up Here](#)

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## Youth Night Is Hiring

**FINLAND Youth PROGRAM IS HIRING!**

**We're currently hiring two positions:**

- **Weekly Youth Worker @ \$20/Hr**
- **Youth Worker/Administrator @ \$24/Hr**

**WE'RE A SMALL COMMUNITY YOUTH PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES A SAFE SPACE FOR KIDS OF ALL BACKGROUNDS TO EXPLORE, CREATE, PLAY, & BUILD SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS. WE HOST A WEEKLY YOUTH NIGHT ON THURSDAYS FROM 6-9PM FOR KIDS AGES 5-17 AT THE CLAIR NELSON CENTER IN FINLAND, MN.**

**Contact us for more information or to apply:**  
[kidsrule@friendsoffinland.org](mailto:kidsrule@friendsoffinland.org)  
or (218-220-7215)

**Finland Community Youth Program**

**Friends of the Finland COMMUNITY**

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## Soma Yoga is Back (In a New Way)

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Well Kim is still out, but many of us still need our Soma Yoga! As a result we have continued to hold space on Mondays and Wednesdays (10:30am - 11:30am). Since we don't have a certified instructor at the moment, we have been following videos during the class. So please come and join us for an hour of healing and yoga.

We are also continuing the zoom option for the Soma Yoga group, if you would like to join via zoom, [click here](#).

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## Support Friends of Finland on Give To The Max Day!

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Our staff has been working hard build programming and a gathering space that creates unity and fills the needs of our community. If you can, please consider making a contribution to support our organization and enable us to continue to grow programs like this.

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## NSAP Care Connections Group: Monday, Nov 8th, 10am-11am

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# Care Connections

2nd Wednesdays  
10 – 11 am  
Clair Nelson Center in Finland

Please contact NSAP's Care Navigator  
if you are interested in learning more.  
[ericka@nsapartners.org](mailto:ericka@nsapartners.org) | 218-353-1464



## NSAP Senior Lunch: Monday, Nov 8th, 11:30am-1pm

### FINLAND COMMUNITY SENIOR MEALS

Second Wednesdays

·>> 11:30 am – 1 pm <<·

Clair Nelson Center, Finland



Senior Nutrition Services is sponsored by AEOA and funded under contract  
with the Area Agency on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act Program.



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# Regular Township Board Meeting

## Tuesday, Nov. 21st, 7pm



Come to a township meeting: Crystal Bay Township holds regular meetings on the ***third Tuesday of every month at 7pm*** at the Clair Nelson Center, 6866 Cramer Road, Finland, MN, 55603.

[Learn More About Crystal Bay Township](#)

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## Community Potluck - Sunday, Nov. 26th

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*Come to the*

## **FINLAND COMMUNITY POTLUCK**

**AT THE CLAIR NELSON COMMUNITY CENTER**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME • SOCIAL HOUR AT 5PM**

**DINNER AT 6PM • BRING A DISH TO SHARE**

***Yes, we are having a potluck after Thanksgiving! Bring some of your Thanksgiving leftovers to share!***

Join us on the last Sunday of every month at the Clair Nelson Center for a community potluck! Invite your friends and bring a dish to share. The November Potluck will be Sunday, November 26th. Social hour at 5pm, dinner at 6pm. The November potluck does not yet have a host, please let us know if you are able to be the host! ***If you are interested in hosting a potluck, or helping with community potlucks in general, please call 218-353-0300 or sign up on the poster at the Clair Nelson Center.***

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## **Facility Schedule**

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## Weekly Activities At the Clair Nelson Center

### **Mondays:**

- 9:15am Bonebuilders Exercise Class
- 10:30a-11:30a Soma Yoga Group
- 7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous

### **Tuesdays:**

- 8:30am - 4pm Tuesday Talents Craft Group

### **Wednesdays:**

- 9:15am Bonebuilders Exercise Class
- 10:30a-11:30a Soma Yoga Group

### **Thursdays:**

- 6pm - 9pm Youth Night

### **Fridays:**

- 7pm Magic Cards



## Other Events This Month

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**Nov. 28th** - Lake County Hwy Department public mtg. about bridge replacement on Cramer Rd (Co. Rd. 7) - 6pm-7pm

**December Dates to Remember:**

**Dec. 2nd** - Gluten Free Cookie Party - 1pm-4pm

**Dec 6th** - NSAP Senior Lunch - 1pm-4pm

**Dec 7th** - Pikku Joulu - 6pm-9pm

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*For a listing of regular weekly activities and other updates, see our [Facebook page](#).*

*If you like what we do, please donate! You can make an [online gift here](#), or mail a check to:*

**Friends of the Finland Community**

6866 Cramer Road

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